



*"This Democratic Congress is on a path to become one of the most productive since the Great Society 89th Congress in 1965-66, and Obama already has the most legislative success of any modern president—and that includes Ronald Reagan and Lyndon Johnson... it has also delivered record accomplishment."*

Norman Ornstein, Congressional Scholar, Washington Post 1/31/10

The 111th Congress is working with President Obama to take America in a New Direction. More must and will be done—to put Americans back to work, grow our economy, and set our nation on the path to prosperity.

#### HIGHLIGHTS INCLUDE:

##### **ECONOMIC RECOVERY AND CREATING JOBS**

**AMERICAN RECOVERY AND REINVESTMENT ACT**, enacted in the first month of President Obama's term, to jumpstart our economy, create and save 3.5 million jobs, give 95% of American workers a tax cut, and begin to rebuild America's road, rail, and water infrastructure, with unprecedented accountability. *(Signed into Law)*

**CASH FOR CLUNKERS**, jump-starting the U.S. auto industry, providing consumers with up to \$4,500 to trade in an old vehicle for one with higher fuel efficiency—spurring the sale of 700,000 vehicles. *(Signed into Law)*

**WORKER, HOMEOWNERSHIP & BUSINESS ASSISTANCE ACT**, boosting the economy and creating jobs with unemployment benefits for Americans hit by the recession, an expanded 1<sup>st</sup>-time homebuyer tax credit, and tax relief for struggling small businesses—expanded to all struggling U.S. businesses. *(Signed into Law)*

**JOBS FOR MAIN STREET ACT**, to create and save jobs with targeted investments to boost small business, to rebuild highways and transit, and to hire and retain teachers, police, and firefighters; paid for by redirecting TARP funds from Wall Street to Main Street; with emergency aid for the unemployed. *(Passed by House)*

**STUDENT AID & FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY ACT**, to make largest investment in college aid in history – increasing Pell Grants and keeping student loan interest rates low— while reducing the federal deficit. *(Passed by House)*

**HELPING FAMILIES SAVE THEIR HOMES ACT**, building on the President's initiative to stem the foreclosure crisis, with significant incentives to lenders, servicers, and homeowners to modify loans. *(Signed into Law)*

##### **AFFORDABLE QUALITY HEALTH CARE**

**HEALTH INSURANCE REFORM**, landmark legislation to lower costs to consumers, preserve and provide choice of doctors and health plans, ensure peace of mind that coverage can't be delayed or denied, and expand access to affordable health coverage for millions of Americans. *(Passed by House and Senate)*

**HEALTH CARE FOR 11 MILLION CHILDREN**, providing cost-effective health coverage for 4 million more children and preserve coverage for 7 million children already enrolled. *(Signed into Law)*

**FOOD SAFETY**, to fundamentally change the way we protect our food supply; close gaps exposed by recent food-borne illness outbreaks; give the FDA new authorities. *(Passed by House)*

**FDA REGULATION OF TOBACCO**, granting the Food and Drug Administration authority to regulate advertising, marketing, and manufacturing of tobacco products, the #1 cause of preventable U.S. death. *(Signed into Law)*

## CLEAN ENERGY JOBS AND CONSERVATION

**AMERICAN CLEAN ENERGY & SECURITY ACT**, historic legislation to create millions of jobs; reduce dependence on foreign oil; reduce climate change pollution; keep costs low for Americans. *(Passed by House)*

**OMNIBUS PUBLIC LAND MANAGEMENT ACT**, the most significant conservation bill in 15 years, strengthening tourism and rural economies with more than 2 million new acres of wilderness and parks. *(Signed into Law)*

## FISCAL RESPONSIBILITY

**BUDGET BLUEPRINT**, creating jobs with investments in health care, clean energy and education; cutting taxes for most Americans by \$1.5 trillion; cutting Bush deficit by more than half by 2013. *(Action Completed)*

**STATUTORY PAY-AS-YOU-GO**, restoring 1990s law that turned record deficits into surpluses; Congress must offset new policies that reduce revenues or expand entitlements. *(On President's Desk)*

## PROTECTING CONSUMERS AND TAXPAYERS

**WALL STREET REFORM & CONSUMER PROTECTION ACT**, historic reforms to end taxpayer-funded bailouts and 'too big to fail' financial institutions, and protect consumers from predatory lending. *(Passed by House)*

**CREDIT CARDHOLDERS' BILL OF RIGHTS**, providing tough new protections for consumers—including banning unfair rate increases, abusive fees, and penalties—and strengthening enforcement. *(Signed into Law)*

**FRAUD ENFORCEMENT & RECOVERY ACT**, providing tools to prosecute mortgage scams and corporate fraud that contributed to financial crisis; creating an outside commission to examine its causes. *(Signed into Law)*

**DEFENSE PROCUREMENT REFORM**, cracking down on Pentagon waste and cost overruns. *(Signed into Law)*

**LILLY LEDBETTER FAIR PAY ACT**, restoring the rights of women and other workers to challenge unfair pay—to help close the wage gap where women earn 78 cents for every \$1 a man earns in America. *(Signed into Law)*

**STRONGER TARP OVERSIGHT**, expanding authority of TARP Special IG. *(Signed into Law)*

## NATIONAL SECURITY/TROOPS AND VETERANS

**FY 2009 SUPPLEMENTAL**, meeting our troops' needs to wind down the Iraq war, change strategy in Afghanistan; make retroactive stop loss payments to 185,000+ service members. *(Signed into Law)*

**VETERANS HEALTH CARE BUDGET REFORM & TRANSPARENCY ACT**, ensuring reliable and timely funding for veterans health care by authorizing Congress to approve VA medical care a year in advance. *(Signed into Law)*

**DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION** to provide 3.4% pay raise for troops, strengthen military readiness, expand support for military families, and focus strategy on Afghanistan and Pakistan and Iraq redeployment. *(Signed into Law)*

For a more detailed list of accomplishments, please visit [www.speaker.gov/accomplishments](http://www.speaker.gov/accomplishments).

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